



**MINUTES**

**NANAIMO COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION (NCHC)  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 2013-JAN-02 AT 5:00 PM  
BOARD ROOM, SERVICE & RESOURCE CENTRE (411 DUNSMUIR STREET)**

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**Members Present:** Diane Brennan, Chair  
Bill Gard  
Kerrie Low  
Christine Meutzner  
Geraldine Manson  
John Hofman  
Charlene Riches  
John Manning  
Loyd Sherry

**Members Absent:** Jill Stannard

**Staff Present:** Chris Sholberg, Heritage Planner  
Rebecca Tubbs, Recording Secretary

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**1. Call to Order**

Chair D. Brennan called the meeting to order at 5:10 pm.

**2. Approval of Agenda & Late Items**

The agenda was approved as presented with the addition of the following late items:

- a) 2013 BC Historical Federation Conference, Kamloops BC (2013-MAY-09 to 12)  
For information.
- b) Judo Club Building – Reconsider adding to register (C. Meutzner on behalf of J. Stannard)  
J. Stannard was unable to attend the meeting due to health reasons. On her behalf, C. Meutzner noted her interest in reconsidering the Judo Club Building (110 Machleary Street) for addition to the heritage register (in light of value placed on it and the surrounding site by Vancouver Island University during their recent anniversary celebrations).

It was moved and seconded that flowers to be delivered to J. Stannard on behalf of the Commission. The motion was carried.

**3. Adoption of Minutes (2012-DEC-05)**

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes from 2012-DEC-05 be adopted with the following amendments:

Item 2a) Joint Meeting with Ladysmith Archives (2012-DEC-06):

Item 5a) Colliery Dam Park – Issue debriefing and park naturalization discussion:

*“Why didn’t the City respond to the Province’s request for a “plan” by requesting more time to publicly weigh the options and risks?”*

Item 6b) Pioneer Cemetery Park – Gravestone Condition:

*“Staff noted that the ~~Rose~~ **Ross** Bay cemetery manager recently contacted.....”*

Item 7c) Nanaimo District & Museum:

*“J. Manning reported that the Nanaimo Museum will soon be the permanent home of the Wally ~~Wallum~~ **Buono** Award, an award given to.....”*

The motion was carried.

#### **4. Correspondence, Periodicals, & Newsletters**

#### **5. New Business**

a) Review Draft Work Plan for 2013

C. Sholberg presented the Commission with a report containing a draft work plan for 2013, as well as a review of the 2012 work plan. New items for 2013 include completion of an Old City heritage walk brochure and photo inventory.

The Commission requested that a review of the heritage plaque policy be added to the 2013 work plan.

Staff has recently noticed reluctance from boutique mortgage lenders to sign-off on heritage covenants required for heritage home grants. This has resulted in a couple of the Commission-approved grant applicants being unable to register their covenant and collect grant money.

It was suggested that the mortgage lenders may be afraid of the covenant having priority over their mortgage. If the City of Nanaimo could add the covenant to the property within asking the lenders for "priority", the lenders may be more receptive. C. Sholberg will discuss this concept with the City's lawyers and report back to the Commission with more information.

It was moved and seconded that the 2013 work plan be approved with the above noted amendments. The motion was carried.

#### **6. Ongoing Business**

a) Memo to Council re Demolition of Colliery Dam & Spillway:

Staff noted that the memo was received by Council as requested by the Commission. Council is currently looking at other alternatives to removing the dam and spillway (replace or rehabilitate) and has undertaken a \$60,000 study in order to do so. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

b) Heritage Week (Feb 18-24): Heritage Summit (Feb 20) – Update:

The theme of this year's heritage week is "Heritage Homes and Neighbourhoods". The Summit is scheduled for 2013-FEB-20 at the Nanaimo Museum. Invitations and advertising will go out in late January. A speaker has not yet been confirmed, but the presentation will likely focus on the heritage week theme.

#### **7. Committee Reports**

a) Snuneymuxw First Nation:

G. Manson had nothing to report of a heritage-related matter.

b) Nanaimo Community Archives Society:

C. Meutzner had nothing to report of a heritage-related matter.

c) Nanaimo District and Museum:

J. Manning had nothing to report of a heritage-related matter.

d) Design Advisory Panel:

C. Riches had nothing to report of a heritage-related matter.

**8. Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for 2013-FEB-06 at 5:00 pm in the Board Room of the Service and Resource Centre (411 Dunsmuir Street).

**9. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 5:57 pm.

APPROVED

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Chair

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Date

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